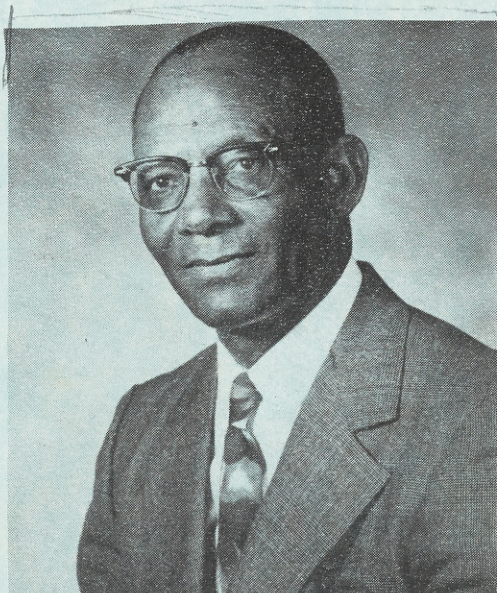


Home-Going Celebration Of Life For Supt. Elder W.D. Davis Sr.

Sunrise: October 6, 1908, New Orleans, Louisiana

Sunset: April 12, 1993, Berkeley, CA



*"Therefore we are always confident that, whilst we are at home
in the body, we are absent from the Lord." II Cor. 5:8*

Services Held

Monday, April 19, 1993 - 11:00 a.m.

At The

McGlothen Temple Church Of God In Christ

1443 Filbert Street

North Richmond, California

Supt. J. B. Jennings-Pastor

Officiating

Bishop W.W. Hamilton

Jurisdiction Prelate

Interment

Rolling Hills Cemetery

Richmond, California

Supt. J. B. Jennings-M.C.

Obituary

Supt **Willie D. Davis** was born to lovely parents on October 6, 1908 in New Orleans, Louisiana.

he Attended the public schools in his *local* community and received his literary education *there*.

He Reared in a Godly atmosphere and at an early age was saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost in the State of Louisiana.

He Met and married Nancy Brown and to this union ~~was born~~ ten children, one preceded him in death. He moved to Oakland, California in 1948 and lived in this area until his passing.

He In 1949, he organized the Mt. Olive Church Of God In Christ in West Oakland, many souls were saved and added to the church. He moved to Bakersfield, California and pastored the Old Street Church Of God In Christ for about two years. He was elevated to District Superintendent in 1952 and remained in that position for many years.

Later he and his lovely wife, Annie Mae Davis moved to Berkeley, California and organized the Bible Way Church Of God In Christ where he pastored until his passing. The late ~~Sister~~ Annie Mae Davis preceded him in death, but worked very faithful to build the Bible Way Church.

Elder Davis was a very well versed preacher, he studied the word of the Lord and received several Degrees from various Bible Colleges. *including* Namely, Trinty Hall College and Seminary in Springfield, Illinois.

He was married to his present spouse, *Sister* Ella Mae Davis who continued the faithful services for the upbuilding to the Kingdom of God. Supt. Davis joined the Richmond District with the Supt. Jack Spicer and worked for many years. He later united with the Greater District in *Richmond*, with Supt. J. A. Jennings. He loved the Lord and enjoyed the fellowship of the Saints. He was a great singer, and some of his favorite songs were, "In the Sweet Bye and Bye", "When I see Jesus", "When He calls me, I'll answer, I want to go back with Him when he comes, and I'll overcome."

He could beat the tamberine and sing under the anointing of the Holy Ghost. He loved his church and he loved people. He was dedicated, determined, and devoted in the services of the Lord.

Several years ago, his health became impaired and he could not really carry on as he desired, yet he remained faithful until the end. On April 12, 1993 he passed from this life of pain and sorrow, and entered into a place of peace and rest, where no pain or care shall ever come. He leaves to celebrate his Home-Going, a lovely, devoted wife, Mrs. Ella Mae Davis of Berkeley; five sons, Archie, Rev. Emanuel, Willie Jr., Robert and Melvin Davis; four daughters, Delores Smith, Willie Mae, Helen Rose, and Barbara Ann Davis, ~~all~~ of California, Ohio, Los Angeles, and Georgia. He leaves six step-children, Vincent, Anthony, Willie, Johnny Jr., Shelia, and Nina all of Oakland, California; a host of sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, a host of grandchildren and many saints and friends.

Order of Service

Master of Ceremony - Superintendent John Jennings

PROCESSIONAL

PRAYER.....Pastor M. Hall

SCRIPTURE READING: Old Testament.....Pastor S. Butler

New Testament..... Pastor Hunt

SELECTION.....District Choir

WORDS OF EXPRESSIONS (3 min.)... Friends and Associates

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND

CONDOLENCES..... Missionary Carrie Veal

EXPRESSIONS:

District Missionary.....Missionary Etta B. Graves

Pastor.....Pastor Dr. L.W. Keeton

Superintendent..... Superintendent Jack Spicer

Formerly Pastor of Wife, Mrs. Davis

Superintendent Grady L. Harris

Women's Department..... Dr. Mattie McGlothen

Jurisdiction Supervisor

or Representative

SELECTION "When I See Jesus" Sis. Sheryl Butler

RESOLUTIONS:

District..... Missionary Victoria Williams

State..... Superintendent E.J. O'Neal

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH..... Missionary Emma Clark

SEROMIC SOLO.....Evangelist M. Willard

EULOGY..... Bishop W.W. Hamilton

California Northwest Jurisdiction

A GLIMPSE 'TIL GLORY..... Mosswood/St. Christian

Funeral Staff

RECESSIONAL.....

The Family wishes to "Thank" everyone for their kindness shown in every respect during their hour of bereavement. They solicit your prayers.

The Davis Family

Ballbearers

Emmanuel Davis

Willie Davis, Jr.

Timothy Davis

Harry Davis

Emmett Rhodes

Otis Odom

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**To Those I Love
And Those Who Love Me**

When I am gone, release me, let me go,
I have so many things to see and do.
You must not tie yourself to me with tears;
be happy that we had so many years.
I gave you my love - you can only guess
how much you gave me in happiness.

I thank you for the love you each have shown;
But now, it is time I traveled on alone.
So, grieve a while for me, if grieve you must,
then let your grief be comforted by trust.
It's only for a while that we must part,
So bless the memories within your heart.

I won't be far away, for life goes on;
so if you need me, call and I will come.
Though you can't see or touch me, I'll be near,
and if you listen with your heart, you'll hear
all of my love around you, soft and dear.
And then, when you must come this way alone,
I'll greet you with a smile and wave,
"Welcome Home"

**McNary-Morgan-Engel & Jackson
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